



## **THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY**

**February 2014 – Week 1**

**Air Date: February 2 – February 8 (Sunday – Saturday)**

### **TITLE: LADY IN BLUE**

**FEBRUARY 1620 AND A MIRACLE BEGINS.**

THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY, BROUGHT TO YOU BY THIS STATION AND THE SAVE TEXAS HISTORY PROGRAM OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

FEBRUARY 2, 1620. AGREDA, SPAIN. PIOUS AND DEVOUT, MARIA CORONEL TODAY TAKES THE VOW AS A FRANCISCAN NUN AND DONS THE ORDER'S BLUE CLOAK.

OFTEN, WHILE DEEP IN PRAYER, MARIA SLIPS INTO A TRANCE WHERE SHE CLAIMS TO VISITS THE NEW WORLD AND TEACH THE GOSPEL TO ITS PEOPLE.

HALF A WORLD AWAY, IN NEW MEXICO, CHURCH OFFICIALS HEAR ABOUT MARIA'S DREAMS. AS THEY PLAN TO INVESTIGATE, A GROUP OF JUMANO INDIANS ARRIVES ASKING TO CONVERT. THEY SAY THEY WERE VISITED BY A "WOMAN IN BLUE" WHO TAUGHT THEM ABOUT CHRIST.

TRIBES FROM AS FAR AWAY AS TEXAS TOLD OF SIMILAR VISITS. THEIR STORIES LED THE SPANISH TO BUILD THE FIRST MISSIONS HERE.

THE LADY IN BLUE BEGAN HER MIRACULOUS JOURNEY 394 YEARS AGO, THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY.

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